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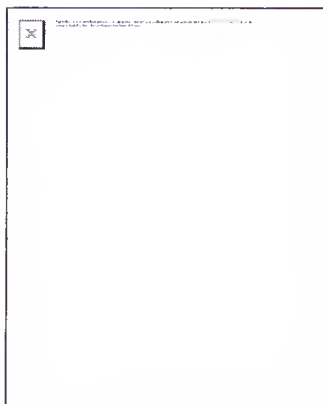
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### A new framework for Russia-Germany energy policy

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*Energy and raw materials are a key feature of bilateral economic relations between Russia and Germany, which are known for their dynamism, with bilateral trade exceeding \$61 billion (€45 billion) per year. Yet these relations are so far not governed by any overarching legal arrangement – something some observers see as a potential source of instability, particularly in light of both efforts by both countries to “diversify” their energy imports and exports. The German-Russian Raw Materials Forum, a bilateral discussion platform established in 2006, therefore recently proposed the development of a Framework Agreement on bilateral energy relations.*

***Rudolf Dolzer**, a former director general in the Office of the German Chancellor and currently the co-chair of the Forum’s working group on international raw materials policies, discusses on Modern Russia the objectives and the details of the project for Russia-Germany energy policy, which has already received the support of decision-makers at the highest level both countries.*



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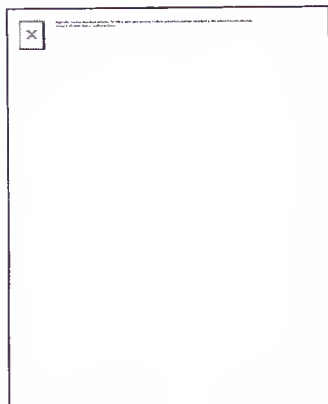


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### Lufthansa Cargo Director: Why Russia is a very important market

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***Christian Becker** is the regional director of Russia and the CIS for Lufthansa Cargo, one of the main foreign air cargo companies in the Russian Federation. Modern Russia was fortunate enough to meet him and discuss his company's business in Russia and the general state of the country's infrastructure and logistics sector.*



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**Subject:** Jim O'Neill speaks to Modern Russia about the 10th anniversary of the BRIC acronym

Hello

Monday, November 28, marks the 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the publication of the Goldman Sachs' report "Building Better Global Economic BRICs" report, which famously linked the developing economies of Brazil, Russia, India and China and coined the acronym BRIC. In the report, author Dr. Jim O'Neill brought attention to these rapidly growing economies and predicted they would play a major part in the global economy.

Ahead of this anniversary, Dr. O'Neill spoke with Modern Russia about the development of Russia and the other BRIC nations and gave his thoughts on:

- How the BRIC countries are tracking against his original projection
- If the Russian economy has changed since 2001
- What lies ahead for Russia and where he sees it in 2021
- How he would address those who argue that Russia should be dropped from the BRIC acronym-

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Best,  
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